Sexual harassment against women in Delhi

164. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA:
DR. ABRAR AHMED:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been spurt in the incidents of sexual harassment against women and children in Delhi in the recent past; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) The cases of sexual harassment against women and children are reported under the heads molestation eve-teasing rape and sodomy. During the year 2002, (upto 31st October, 2002) 813 such cases were reported in Delhi as against 928 cases reported during the corresponding period of the preceding year.

Proposal to constitute NCR police force

165. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of unabated increase in the crime rate in the Capital, Delhi as the border areas of the adjoining States serve as hiding and hunting ground for criminals;

(b) whether lack of cooperation and coordination between different State police forces helps criminals get way unpunished even if they are nabbed; and

(c) whether to control the crime rate in the capital a proposal to constitute an NCR Police Force was mooted, if so, the status of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) No, Sir. The number of IPC related crimes reported in Delhi during first ten months of the current year registered a fall by 9.94% when compared with the number of such crimes reported during the corresponding period of the preceding year.